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Referred to Committee on Human Services

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AN ACT CONCERNING AN ASSISTED LIVING DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 8-206e of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (a) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development
4 shall, within available appropriations, establish a demonstration
5 housing assistance and counseling program to offer advice on matters
6 concerning landlord and tenant relations and the financing of owner-
7 occupied and rental housing purchases, improvements and
8 renovations. The program shall provide: (1) Educational services
9 designed to inform landlords and tenants of their respective rights and
10 responsibilities; (2) dispute mediation services for landlords and
11 tenants; (3) information on securing housing-related financing,
12 including mortgage loans, home improvement loans, energy assistance
13 and weatherization assistance; and (4) such other housing-related
14 counseling and assistance as the commissioner shall provide by

15 regulations.

16 (b) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development
17 may, within available appropriations, enter into a contract or contracts
18 to provide financial assistance in the form of grants-in-aid to nonprofit
19 corporations, as defined in section 8-39, to carry out the purposes of
20 subsection (a) of this section.

21 (c) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development
22 shall adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54
23 to carry out the purposes of subsections (a) and (b) of this section.

24 (d) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development
25 shall establish a demonstration program in [one] up to four United
26 States Department of Housing and Urban Development, Section 202 [,
27 elderly housing development and one United States Department of
28 Housing and Urban Development,] or Section 236 [,] elderly housing
29 [development] developments to provide assisted living services. [for
30 persons who are residents of the state.]

31 (e) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development
32 shall establish criteria for making disbursements under the provisions
33 of subsection (d) of this section which shall include, but are not limited
34 to: (1) Size of the United States Department of Housing and Urban
35 Development, Section 202 and Section 236 [,] elderly housing
36 developments; (2) geographic locations in which the developments are
37 located; (3) anticipated social and health value to the resident
38 population; (4) each Section 202 and Section 236 housing
39 development's designation as a managed residential community, as
40 defined in section 19-13-D105 of the regulations of Connecticut state
41 agencies; and (5) the potential community development benefit to the
42 relevant municipality. Such criteria may specify who may apply for
43 grants, the geographic locations determined to be eligible for grants,
44 and the eligible costs for which a grant may be made.

45 (f) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development

46 may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter
47 54, to implement the provisions of subsections (d) and (e) of this
48 section.

49 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

Statement of Purpose:

To implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]